Updates from CRN

Community Development & Empowerment Series Continues this Month
CRN's Empowerment Series will resume September 20th and 21st with Single Family Housing Development taught by Teresa Prim of Prim Lawrence Group and Linda Greene of Lucas Greene Associates. The process of developing single family housing will be discussed both in terms of the technical skills involved, and in terms of maximizing production to meet community needs. Assembling the development team, acquiring property, securing financing, and marketing will be examined in detail. Register for Single Family Housing Development and other workshops today! Class descriptions on CRN's website.

CRN in the News
Our 5 Strategies Toward Housing Stability for All Chicagoans platform was featured in Shelterforce in August. Find it along with other national community development news here.

Save the Date

Five Year Plan Public Hearing Scheduled
A hearing is scheduled for public comments on the upcoming 2019-2023 City of Chicago Five Year Housing Plan. For more information or to submit comments online, visit the City's website.

Harold Washington Library - Pritzker Auditorium
400 S State St.
6:00-7:30 Thursday, September 13th

CNDA and Driehaus Award Application Deadline

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About CRN
Who We Are:
For 40 years, the Chicago Rehab Network has worked to train, coordinate, and empower community-based organizations developing affordable housing across Chicago and the region. CRN's advocacy has resulted in policies and resources including the Affordable Requirements Ordinance, the Tax Reactivation Program, the State of Illinois Housing Trust Fund, and the Illinois Affordable Housing Tax Credit. In addition to advocacy and training, CRN provides industry-wide thought leadership through regular policy updates, best practice case studies, and demographic and economic analysis related to housing needs and markets.

Support our Mission:
With your help, we can build strong neighborhoods, strengthen capacity, and create powerful leaders.

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Stay Connected:
Applications will be accepted through September 17th for the 25th annual Chicago Neighborhood Development Awards. CNDA recognizes outstanding achievement in neighborhood real estate development, community engagement, neighborhood planning, creative placemaking and building stronger and healthier communities. More information here.

In the News

Where Black Homeownership is the Norm
Just south of Chicago, the suburb of Olympia Fields has a homeownership rate of 98% among African-Americans. Despite the racial gap in homeownership being wider now than it was in 1900, four other majority-black municipalities in the south suburbs have black homeownership rates of over 80%. Read the full article from Pew.

Opportunity Zones and Tax Credits
As the conversation about Opportunity Zones grows, so do the questions about how they can work with tax credits. In Affordable Housing Finance, Catalina Vielma breaks down their differences and their potential to work together. Read the article here.